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Only Three More Days

IN WHICH TO GET YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Do not put it off until the last day, but come in at once and let us show you our latest shipments of goods. We think we have what you want and at the closest price. We have splendid Watches, Jewelry and Silverware and some beautiful goods in Sterling Mounted Leather, Purses, Card Cases, Blotters, etc. In Rings and other Gold Jewelry our stock is unsurpassed.

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Challoner, Mitchell & Co.

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The following catalogue (most respectfully submitted) represents a few specialties for the Holiday trade. We live in an age of specialties and our intent is to set great values before you in the way of suitable goods for Xmas presentations.

20 doz. Fancy Boxes of Handkerchiefs, 20c each.
A Handsome Box containing three embroidered Handkerchiefs, complete for 35c.

Very pretty Box containing three fine H.S. Handkerchiefs, complete, 30c.

Novelty Boxes with six fine H.S. Handkerchiefs, complete, 50c.

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Real Eiderdown Comforters, maker's prices.

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New Paisley Flannels, for Wrappers, 9 different patterns, very wide, 6 yards for \$1.; a great holiday novelty.

250 doz. Japan Silk Handkerchiefs, 20c, 30c, 40c.

New Blouse Silks, very latest, 90c.

Silk Belts, Black and Colors, 25c.

New Gloves (Silk Stitch), 25c.

Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, starting at 10c.

Special fine assortment at 25c each.

Lacing Kid Gloves, Black and Browns, 90c.

210 doz. superior Hem Stitch Handkerchiefs, 80c doz.

Perrin Frere's celebrated Kid Gloves, every size, every color; every pair guaranteed.

30 pieces Heavy Cheviots, double fold, full dress for \$1.50 (6 yards).

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J. HUTCHESON & CO.

We Have Been Laying for You



SOME CUTS FOR CHRISTMAS BOXES.

For Boxes less than cost, we are clearing out. 300 boxes Jap Oranges, to arrive, way down in price. Bring your own straw, we have Ontario Sweet Apple Cider; no bug in the barrel.

These fat soft Plums reduced to 3 lbs. for 20c.

Cleaned Currants reduced to 3 lbs. for 20c.

French Imperials, bottles, \$1.25.

Port 50 cents.

Raisins and Almonds, 75.

Sherry 50.

Sulton Cheese, in jars, \$1.75

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Dowar's Scotch, the best blend ever left the Land o' Cakes.

Morgan's Oysters, luscious bivalves.

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57 Government Street.

40 cents, All Pure and Delicious.
50 cents, Sealed Lead Packets Only.
60 cents, Beware of Substitutes

TAMILKANDE TEA



This brand is a blend of
CEYLON HARKEELING and
BREAKFAST COUNOU—the
choice growth of three
countries

TRIT IT
AND TELL YOUR FRIENDS.

AT ALL GROCERIES

Tamilkande Tea Co.,
MONTREAL.

Simon Leiser & Co.
Agents, Victoria.

The British-Canadian Gold Fields Co., (Limited)

Offices at Toronto, Victoria and Spokane
CAPITAL \$2,500,000.

100,000 Shares Sold at 10c
and 15c.

A limited number of shares will now be sold for 25c, and it is the intention of the Directors to advance the price to 40c about January 1st, 1897. The company has acquired many valuable properties, such as the Two Rivers, on North Fork of Salmon; the Rothschild Group, near boundary line; the Lewella in Greenwood Camp; also a valuable property near Kaslo. With the exception of the treasury stocks of the Home-Sake, the Rossland, the Mass of Erin, the Red Mountain View of Rossland and the Gibson Milling and Mining Company.

Address

British-Canadian Gold Fields Co.
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GEO. E. G. BROWN, Local Manager.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GIRL wanted to cook and do general house work; small family. Apply 100 Quadra St. d22

FOUND—A purse containing money. Owner can have same by paying expenses at this office. d22-24

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TEACHER WANTED—for Hornby Island, Comox district; male teacher preferred. Apply to Govt. Heatherell, Hornby Is and d22-24

TO LET—In Trounce avenue, a flat suitable for lodgings rooms. Apply 49 Govt St. d22

ELEGANTLY furnished cui osse singe rooms well heated. Mrs. Walt, Vernon. d22-24

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Make Yours a Sweet Scented Christmas.

By securing something from our complete stock of Perfumes comprising all the latest French, English, German, Canadian and American—ours Large assortment of Holiday novelties.

DEAN & HISCOCK, cor. Yates and Broad Sts

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 22.—An explosion of gas occurred in Baltimore No. 2 shaft of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company's mine yesterday afternoon. Over twenty miners were imprisoned, but at a late hour last night fourteen had been rescued alive and there were still hopes of reaching the others before the deadly afternoon claimed them as its victims. Immediately the disaster became known rescue gangs descended the shaft; but it was some time before the ventilation had been so managed that they could work in safety. The party which entered the mine at 10:45 succeeded in pushing their way to the place where the imprisoned men had been working, and there they stumbled over the bodies of the unconscious men. As quick as the work could be accomplished they were brought to the surface, where a corps of doctors were waiting. Most of the victims were sent to their homes and the rest to the hospitals. The physicians have hopes that all may recover. Had they been in the mine five minutes longer all would have been dead. The men were huddled close together when found and had apparently abandoned all hope of rescue, and were resolved to die together. It is probable that those men who were in the immediate vicinity of the spot where the explosion occurred were the only ones killed, and their number may not be more than four or five.

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Sultan Carrying Out Some Wishes of the Ministers.

New York, Dec. 21.—A special cable

dispatch to the Herald from Constan-

tinople says: "The large measure of

reform in the part of the Sultan to

wards Armenians recently re-

ferred to will probably bring about the

release of four thousand prisoners and

the remittance of all sentences of death.

At a council of the ministers the

request of Mr. Terrell, United States minister, that Hatton Ardouzean,

imprisoned at Trebezond, has been

released. Nine individuals who emi-

grated to the government as revolu-

tions at Aleppo have also been set at

liberty, the release of those prisoners

having been promised Mr. Terrell by

the Sultan.

LIONEL C. JOHNSON.

Under and by virtue of the power of

the said Sultan, to make and do all

things in this behalf necessary, I do

hereby issue and declare the fol-

lowing:

AN INVITATION

is extended to all to call at Waitt & Co.'s and

examine the fine new bicycles on the market, the

best and most improved.

It is brimming with new and original improve-

ments and is further in the lead than ever.

Cleveland Swell Special.

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WHAT SPAIN THINKS

Much Calmer View Taken of the Attitude of United States Towards Cuba.

Some of the Papers However Advise the Government to Prepare for War.

Madrid, Dec. 21.—There can be no doubt that the Spanish press and public take a much calmer view of the attitude of the United States towards the Cuban question. The expressions heard in government circles and the views published in the ministerial press inspired by members of the government are especially optimistic to-day. This is in a large part due to dispatches received from Señor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister at Washington, giving the views of Mr. Olney as to the powers of the President to ignore the behest of congress for the recognition of a new government, and the President's opinion that no government has been established by the insurgents in Cuba.

The ministerial organs and all the sympathizers with the government are taking the ground from this, that there will be a conflict between the legislative and executive powers in the United States government, which will delay action and give Spain a respite from intervention during which she may have an opportunity to crush the rebellion. It is noticeable also, that the Cameron resolution itself, offensive as are its terms to Spanish pride, is looked at with a degree of moderation as compared with the first view of it.

The view is attributed to Señor Canovas himself that the adoption of the Cameron resolution need not necessarily mean war, since there was no attempt in it to provide for armed intervention in Cuba for active assistance to the insurgents but simply for the recognition of their government.

So far as the friendly intervention with the Spanish government was concerned it lay in the power of that government to decline overtures to that end. The mood of optimism of the ministerials to-day goes beyond President Cleveland's terms, since they express the opinion that Mr. McKinley, upon coming into office, will follow the same policy towards Cuba as President Cleveland has done.

On the other hand, El Imparcial, El Heraico and El Liberal do not believe that a peaceful solution is possible of the problem of Spanish relations with the United States. They consider that Mr. Olney's utterances are simply those of a secretary and that they carry little weight with the great body of American citizens, in whom, it is pointed out, is the foundation of all power, overruling both the legislative and the executive. These newspapers express the belief that congress is backed by public opinion in the United States, and is bent upon gaining independence for the Cubans. Mr. McKinley, they say, will also follow public opinion and his own convictions and will declare for the independence of Cuba and will terminate the war in the Island even at the cost of an armed intervention by the United States if the war shall be prolonged beyond the month of March, when he assumes the presidency.

The Republican press expresses similar views, urging the necessity of the government preparing for war with the United States.

New York, Dec. 21.—A special to the World from Havana says: "Pursuant to telegraphic instructions from the navy department at Madrid, Admiral Navarro on Saturday morning hurriedly dispatched a commission of engineers to the east to co-operate with the military authorities and hurry the harbor defenses at Santiago and Guantánamo. At Santigo several large caliber Krupp guns have just arrived and are being placed at strategic points to defend the port against a possible attack from a foreign enemy. A number of torpedoes have also been laid."

London, Dec. 21.—A letter from Havana to the Times, dated December 5, dwells upon the fact that the white element now predominates largely in the rebel ranks. It says the rebels possess the sympathy of nearly all the educated Cubans. "The truth of this," the correspondent continues, "is seen in the number of persons sent as political prisoners in the last six months to the Spanish penal settlements. The worst elements of the rebellion have disappeared. The independent Cuban government, if weak, would at least be in the hands of educated and responsible men."

NO SYMPATHY THERE.

Italian Chamber of Deputies Will Not Listen to a Cuban Resolution.

Rome, Dec. 21.—In the chamber of deputies to-day, Signor Imbriani, Socialist leader, submitted a motion instructing the government to ascertain the truth of the death of the "Brave and generous Maceo." Marquis di Rudini, the premier, begged Signor Imbriani to withdraw his motion, which he said, might disturb the friendly relations of Italy with the brave Spanish people. Signor Imbriani persisted in his motion amid an uproar which arose in the chamber. The President loudly called for order. The Marquis di Rudini protested against Signor Imbriani's remarks, and said if Italy wished to maintain her independence she could not interfere with the independence of others. Therefore parliament could not judge of an incident which had not been verified in Cuba. The premier's statement was greeted with cheers and the matter was dropped.

DEEP WATERWAY.

Canadian and American Commissioners Open a Joint Session.

Detroit, Dec. 21.—The United States and Canadian waterway commission began a joint session to-day. The Canadian commissioners are as enthusiastic over the prospect as the United States members, Commissioner J. E. Russell, of Massachusetts, said to-day: "In our forthcoming report to congress we shall not undertake to say that's a

deep waterway from the great lakes to the seaboard should or should not be established. Considering the amount that will have to be expended to get at the exact condition of affairs, it would be nonsense to suppose that we could reach that point with an appropriation of \$30,000. The same is true regarding the route to be selected. Our report, which we shall present at the present session of congress, will simply submit the great mass of information which we have collected and compiled, and will recommend legislation necessary to continue the work."

Being asked whether he believed that the final outcome would be a deep waterway to the sea, Mr. Russell replied: "We have met with very great encouragement, and shall so report to congress. As to the final outcome, many things have yet to be done before any definite result of our work can be determined."

NOT ANTI-IMPERIAL.

Canada Wants to Trade with America and Great Britain.

London, Dec. 21.—A long interview appears in the Chronicle this morning with Hon. A. G. Jones, in which he declares that it is wrong to suppose because a Canadian ministry is pro-American in its sympathy it is therefore anti-imperial. The ministers, he says, desire commercial reciprocity with the United States, but they utterly reject the idea of discriminating against British goods. An undying sentiment of attachment to England existed in Canada, Mr. Jones added, and would not be affected even if she were obliged to contribute her share to the national defence.

SUGAR INDUSTRIES.

The British Commission to Visit New York After the West Indies.

London, Dec. 21.—It is stated that the special commission of the British government, which has been appointed to inquire into the sugar industries of the West Indies, is not alone to confine itself to the British colonies, but is to visit New York. The members will arrive in that city about the middle of April after leaving Jamaica. Their particular inquiry in New York will concern the manner in which the trade of the United States affects the West Indian colonies. It will also embrace the sugar trade in the United States generally.

CROP REPORTS.

Mark Lane Express Reviews the Situation from a London Standpoint.

London, Dec. 21.—The Mark Lane Express, referring to-day to the crop prospects, says: "While wheat is somewhat late in growth, this is no drawback, for a favorable growth of autumn sown wheat and rye is reported from all districts of Central Europe; but in France matters are not nearly so satisfactory. The weather in Russia is very unsettled, frost and thaw reigning in rapid succession with a bad effect on Autumn sown grain. The Argentine crop is not thought to be very large, but advances conflict. Foreign wheat does not sell well even at a decline, and everybody expects an inert trade until after Christmas and a brisk business during the first fortnight of January."

EAST OF THE ROCKIES.

Mr. Davis, the Liberal Candidate, dead in Saskatchewan.

Owen Sound, Dec. 21.—Yesterday afternoon George Jones, a butcher of this town, committed suicide at his room in the Grand Central hotel by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. He had been drinking a good deal during the day. About ten o'clock in the evening he was discovered lying across his bed with a large bullet wound in his right temple. A revolver, a British bulldog of large calibre, was lying beside him.

Owen Sound, Dec. 21.—Geo. Jones, aged 35, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. He was a butcher by trade.

Woodstock, Dec. 21.—Frank H. Korn, son of D. W. Korn, piano and organ manufacturer, died this morning.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—La Patrie announces that Hon. Mr. Tarte will leave in a few days for Paris in order to put the finishing touches on the French treaty.

Chatham, Dec. 21.—The Banner printing office was badly damaged by fire to-day. The loss is \$5000, chiefly on the stock and presses.

London, Dec. 21.—The election trial is proceeding slowly and will probably be adjourned over the Christmas holidays.

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—Mr. Pearson, of the C.P.R. bridge department, descended into a tank to-day at Virden to ascertain the depth of the water. Not ascertaining promptly, a search was made and Mr. Pearson was found drowned.

A sad occurrence took place in Brandon this morning, resulting in the death of a child named Mary Matsuka. The child, who is three years old, was left by her parents alone in the house. It commenced to play with the fire in the stove, when some spread to her clothes, with the result that she fell a victim to the flames. The father, George Matsuka, was drowned two years ago.

Horace Harvey, barrister, of Calgary, has been appointed to the registration of the lands titles office of South Alberta land registration district, a position recently rendered vacant by the death of T. A. McLean.

Lated returns from Saskatchewan give Davis a majority of 120, with nine places to hear from.

A man's wife should always be the same, especially to her husband, and if she is weak and nervous, and uses Currant Soap, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their husbands say so too!

Weller Bros., of Fort street, are making special efforts to meet the growing demand in the city and neighborhood for useful, handsome and moderately-priced Xmas Gifts.

Ask your grocer for

Windsor Salt

For Table and Dairy, Purse and Best

Sour

Stomach, sometimes called water-brash, and burning pain, distress, nausea, dyspepsia, are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. This it accomplishes because with its wonderful power as a blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla gently tones and strengthens the stomach and digestive organs, invigorates the liver, creates an appetite, gives refreshing sleep, and raises the health tone. In cases of dyspepsia and indigestion it seems to have "a magic touch."

"For over 12 years I suffered from sour

Stomach, sometimes called water-brash, and great distress. I had violent nausea which would leave me very weak and faint, difficult to get my breath. These spells came oftener and more severe. I did not receive any lasting benefit from physicians, but found such happy effects from a trial of Hood's Sarsaparilla, that I took several bottles and mean to always keep it in the house. I am now able to do all my own work, which for six years I have been unable to do. My husband and son have also been greatly benefited by Hood's Sarsaparilla—for pains in the back, and after the grippe. I gladly recommend this grand blood medicine."

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Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists, St. Louis, cure all Liver Ills and Sick Headache. 25 cents.

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produce an absolutely continuous spray by means of

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Alpha Atomizer No. 3, with Throat Tip, \$1.00. At all drug stores or sent by mail prepaid on receipt of price.

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How to Prevent Pneumonia.

At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left, to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction—Omagah, Ind., Ter. Chief.

This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventive of pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it for colds and la grippe, we have never yet learned of a single case which resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand.

For sale by all druggists. Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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The Best

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Before I used the remedies of the Hudson Medicus Institute.

WHAT WAS before I had taken the great Hudyan was indeed a wonderful specific. I found new life in the great Hudson. I now Hudyan does, cure cases of weakness.

I can now say in

the Present

that Hudyan is a most wonder-
ful medicine. It cures exhaustion,
weakness, liver and kidney complaints.
If you suffer as I did, go to the doctors for
cineraria and testimonial of the
great Hudyan and you will
get them FREE!

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BRAINS and Body Economized

Worry and Work Reduced.

Half the Labor of Washday is washed away by the use of

E. B. Eddy's Indurated Fibreware
Tubs and Pails

They are LIGHT, TIGHT AND DURABLE

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VICTORIA, B. C.

The First of these Monthly Competitions, for the Province of British Columbia, will commence January 1st, 1897, and will be continued each month during 1897.

BICYCLES VALUE . . . \$1,500
GIVEN FREE FOR . . .

12 Stearns' Bicycles, valued \$100 each
12 Gold Watches, " 25 "

Will be given during 1897, one
Bicycle and one Watch
each month, as follows:

HOW TO OBTAIN THEM.

Competitors to save as many "Sunlight" Soap Wrappers as possible, cut off the top portion of each wrapper

so that portion containing

"SUNLIGHT SOAP". These (one hundred pieces) are to be sent enclosed with a sheet of paper on which the competitor has written his name, address, telephone number, and the number of Coupons sent in, postage paid, to Mr. C. R. KING, Victoria, B. C.

The bicycles are to be given away in one month's time.

2. Competitors who send the greatest number of Sunlight Soap Wrappers, who reside in the Province of British Columbia, will receive a gold watch, a lady's or gentleman's. The competitor who sends the greatest number of Sunlight Soap Wrappers, who resides outside the Province of British Columbia, will receive a silver watch, a lady's or gentleman's.

3. The competition will close the last day of January, 1897, and the winners will be announced on the 1st of February.

4. The competition will be conducted by Mr. C. R. King, with evidence to award the prizes.

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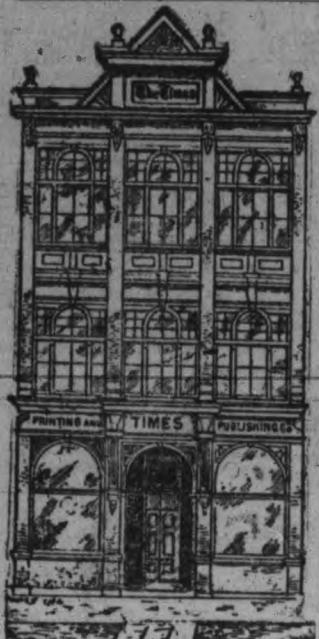
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AUTHORITIES CONFLICT.

In the eyes of the government organ it is something like a crime to say that there are defects in the legislation governing municipalities. It is a pity the Attorney-General had not consulted the Colonist before he wrote that letter to the Kamloops city clerk, in which he admitted that "there seems to be some ambiguity in the act relative to the municipalities mentioned" and hinted that supplementary legislation might be passed next session. A few moments' consultation with the Colonist's legal sage might have spared the Hon. Mr. Eberts' this painful admission. Mr. McIver might also have saved himself the trouble of writing his last letter if he had but known the Colonist's opinion on the matter. Then, of course, the government is in no way to blame if the act is defective. What has the government to do with legislation, anyway? Everybody ought to know that its functions are confined to the collection of taxes and their subsequent distribution in such ways as will bring most votes to its side. Why should ministers trouble themselves about a small matter like the municipal law? There are some people who profess to believe that it would be wise to give the government complete control over the municipalities by means of appointive commissioners, but such people must needs abandon their belief in presence of this newer doctrine that no matter what goes wrong with the municipal law the government cannot be held in any degree responsible.

CHINESE IN TORONTO.

Toronto, according to the Star, published in that city, is having a slight taste of the Chinese trouble. The Star says:

The alarm which has been aroused among civilized laundrymen and their employees in Toronto, as related on the first page of to-day's Star, is not groundless.

The laundrymen have seen their business slipping away. The employees have found work growing very scarce. The Star knows of one case where scores of employees have been dismissed from lack of work.

The cause of this has been the quick and quiet influx of Chinese, who having been driven from Montreal, have gathered in Toronto, opened little hand-laundries, are living more cheaply than decent white people can live, dozens in one small house.

The evil, which has been so pronounced in British Columbia, has been brought right home to Toronto people. It may shock a number of the champions of the Chinese race, who have hitherto denounced the exclusion or taxing of the almond-eyed cheap laborers, but this city cannot afford to allow any more people to be thrown out of work, and must devise some means of keeping the Chinamen out.

We wish no ill to Toronto, but we would like to see not only her laundrymen but many others of her population get such a squeeze from Chinese cheap labor as would enable them to realize the condition to which affairs have been brought on this coast. There would be a sudden decrease of the blatant babbling about the harmfulness of exclusion acts.

A FOOLISH AGITATION.

The growth of the Canadian民族ism ought to satisfy Archbishop Langevin and his fellow agitators as to what the people of Canada would say on the Manitoba school settlement. If they have any idea now that they can convert the majority of the people to their way of thinking, they must have a great capacity for self-deception. There is only one verdict to be looked for—that the settlement is a fair one to all parties, that it will satisfactorily close the dispute if there is no artificial agitation against it, and that the country cannot afford to have the question kept open any longer. The Archbishop and his political friends cannot depend for support even on Quebec province, which is very likely to side with Mr. Laurier and Mr. Tarte. The latter, at all

events, seems to have no fear of the issue. In a recent number of Le Cultivateur he published an article over his own signature in reply to the utterance of La Semaine Religieuse. He points out that as Archbishop Fabre is on his death-bed the articles in that paper must have been written by some other hand, and is inclined to attribute them to some Tory pen. Mr. Tarte continues: "We do not deny them the right to be heard. We invite them to public discussion before the country. Do not deny them the right to speak ex cathedra. Take a trip through Manitoba and you will see that the proportion of our compatriots and co-religionists who are illiterate is terribly alarming. We do not want the re-establishment of the order of things prior to 1880, and declare without fear that all our intelligent compatriots in Manitoba are of the same opinion. The policy in Manitoba up to the present time has been disastrous to the French-Canadian race. What is called the cathedral of St. Boniface is smaller than most of the smallest churches in Quebec. Around this are grouped some 1,200 people of French origin. They have isolated St. Boniface and the result has been that our brothers have been abandoned by the rest of the people. Is it not painful to see people attempt to prevent the Catholic people of Manitoba from taking part in the government and development of the province where they reside?"

PERSONAL.

D. Alexander and wife, Duncan, are at the Oriental.

R. H. Gillespie and F. E. Arnold, Ladner's are at the Oriental.

Walter Oakes, of the N.P. Ry., came over from Tacoma this morning.

E. J. Palmer, Chamaurus, and Thos. E. Ladner, Ladner, are at the Driard.

Archdeacon Scriven and Ashdown Green returned from the Mainland last evening.

James Dunsuir, Mrs. Dunsuir, Miss Dunsuir and R. W. Dunsuir returned from the Sound last evening.

FULL OF CONFIDENCE.

Mr. Cuthbert Tells People of the East What to Expect of B.C.

Mr. Herbert Cuthbert, western manager of the British-Canadian Gold Fields Company, has been busy ever since his return from the West on Thursday furnishing the directors of the enterprise with particulars concerning their properties.

Talking to The World, Mr. Cuthbert stated that he had spent most of his time while away in the mountainous mining districts of the West. He visited the Colville Reservation in Washington, the Trail, Slocan and Boundary Creek regions, and also the North Fork of the Salmon country, in nearly all of which the company has interests.

So far the company has arranged to carry on development work on about twelve full-sized claims. Contracts have been let for several hundred feet of tunnels and shafts, cabins have been built and trails constructed, and Mr. Cuthbert expects that twenty or thirty miners will be shortly at work under the different contractors.

"In addition to this," said Mr. Cuthbert, "we have several very good prospects from the different districts under which we can acquire properties or the controlling interest in them for merely doing development work."

The properties so far bought have not been taken up solely on my judgment, but on that of a thoroughly practical mining man, who makes his own assays and presents unbiased reports. We own an assay plant, which I purchased a few weeks ago.

"We have gradually got into a position to do some good mining business, not on a speculative basis, but by using the money for legitimate purposes alone."

"Two things that pleased me greatly were the way in which our business was managed at this end of the concern, while I was away, and the number of prominent men that have become connected with us."

"Sales have been made sufficient to pay for the mines we already own and allow, besides, of the expenditure of three times that amount in development work."

"In all the mining districts I found the prospectors in good spirits, business satisfactory and capital coming in. Nobody who has not been there has any idea of the wealth of Boundary Creek and the Slocan. British Columbia's beautiful climate, her picturesque scenery and her enormous mineral wealth all go to impress the visitor with the idea that for the next ten years the province will witness a steady march of progress."

"I believe that in ten years the population of British Columbia will be 900,000 instead of 60,000, especially if the government pursues a liberal policy in reference to affording means of transportation, etc."—Toronto World.

THE PROBLEM OF LONGEVITY.

As to the question of marriage, the *Times* quotes from the recently published tables of statistics in 1867 to prove that married men live longer than the unmarried. Scientific critics in England and other countries, however, have questioned the accuracy of these tables, not holding that they were deliberately and of intention false, but that the experiment was not conducted on fair and just principles. These contestants may have been bachelors of centenarian propensities, and having a reputation to sustain, they would naturally examine a married man's tables with close and scrutinizing suspicion. For, say the opponents of this theory, if a man lives longer by reason of marrying one wife, could not he then double his age or chances of longevity by marrying two? Perhaps those are to be taken, however, like those of Henry VIII. of England, only at a time, though he had six, and then he did not live to be a centenarian. The reasons given by old people for their long length of years are often seeming

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The handiwork of civilization invites varieties of forms, and beauties are mirrored on shelves overlaid with selections of UNDER GARMENTS that would reflect credit on the largest centres of commerce. Surprise is lost in wonderment at the figures quoted on this Splendid Equipment so ruthlessly sacrificed by the slaughtering process of a SURPRISE PRICE SALE.

No word painting can do justice to the surprise in store to those who wish to benefit by this SURPRISE PRICE SALE. To elucidate the contents of stock is beyond an advertised limit, sufficient to say HOLD BACK OR RESERVE is foreign to business training. This SURPRISE PRICE SALE stamps SURPRISE PRICES upon every article, visible or otherwise, in or around the premises.

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The verdict of juries all over the world has been given in favor of York-shire Relish.

Many articles suitable for Xmas Presents at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

Blank books, memo books and a nice line of stationary at wholesale prices. Johnston's Kirk Block.

Last Saturday night's Y. M. C. A. concert was well attended and the programme was much appreciated.

Elegant Pictures in massive frames; real works of art. Landscapes, pastoral scenes, sea sketches, figures, etc., at Weiler Bros.

The matron and board of the R. C. Protestant Orphanage wish to express their thanks to Mrs. Robert Dunsmuir for her Christmas gift, a check for \$100, to that institution.

A slim pocketbook will not hinder you from having a fine rain coat on Xmas day for we are selling them at cost to clear. John Partridge, Lansdowne House, 88 Yates street. Show room upstairs.

Friends sending donations to the Friendly Help Association for Christmas distribution among the needy are requested to leave their gifts at the rooms in the city market on or before Wednesday morning.

Santa Claus is due at the Centennial Methodist church to-morrow evening and it is expected that a large number of Sabbath school children will be on hand to welcome him. A good programme has also been arranged in connection with the entertainment.

In a word, we know it and the same knowledge will be yours. We are selling off all our trimmed and untrimmed millinery 25 per cent. less than the marked price. John Partridge, Lansdowne House, 88 Yates street. Show room upstairs.

The children of South Park school collected yesterday afternoon on behalf of the poor of the city nearly ten dollars, as well as a large quantity of goods, the whole of which will be distributed by the Friendly Help Association.

News has been received from Vancouver to the effect that Meier, the man arrested for stealing a coat from the Oriental Hotel last week, is probably the man wanted in connection with the theft of four overcoats from the Commercial hotel and two from the Vancouver Hotel.

Rev. Canon Paddon on Sunday conducted the funeral services in connection with the burial of the late William T. Harris, who died last week at the Jubilee Hospital. The pallbearers were Messrs. C. Nelson, O. Snorth, H. Matthews, J. Burney, C. Craigie and C. Andrews.

The Christmas entertainment to be given by the ladies of St. John's church on Tuesday evening the 29th instant, will be a very original one. Santa Claus will make his appearance by descending a real brick chimney, which will afterwards be demolished and the bricks, each of which will contain a present, will be given to the children. A cantata, "Santa Claus in a Pith," will also be presented.

The following is the resolution in full which was moved at the meeting held at Royal Oak on Saturday evening and carried unanimously. Mr. Stephens was the mover and Mr. S. Jones the seconder: "That whereas the high assessment on real estate in this district was placed thereon at a time of inflated values and had been continued during a period of general depression and decline in the prices of farms and farm produce; and whereas the lands in this district are more heavily taxed than those of any other district in the province; be it therefore resolved that this meeting instruct our representative to bring the matter to the notice of the government and present a petition from the taxpayers of this district, praying for a reduction of the assessments on our lands; and be it further resolved that this meeting through our representative request the government to appoint a man as assessor who is thoroughly conversant with the value of farm lands and otherwise qualified to fill the position."

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The Saanich Serenaders will meet in the Pioneer Hall to-morrow evening at 7.30.

The trial of Shallicross vs. Garschke was this morning adjourned until January 11th.

A meeting of the council has been called by Mayor Beaven for Wednesday evening, the 23rd inst at 8 o'clock.

TELEGRAM.—"Dixi H. Ross & Co. I will be with you on Wednesday from 4 to 5 and 7 to 9 o'clock p.m. Santa Claus."

Embroidered Silk Mantel Drapes, Table Covers, Tidies and other Fancy Articles at Weiler Bros. Buy a nice Buggy Robe for baby.

Preparations are being made by the members of the sergeants' mess of the Fifth Regiment for a military exhibition to be given shortly at the drill hall.

Mr. W. T. Cooksey will deliver his last lecture in the city at the James Bay Methodist church this evening and there will no doubt be a large attendance.

If you're looking for toys call and inspect the stock of A. Barker, 122 Yates street. The very newest mechanical toys; no old stock. Prices the lowest.

Consignment of poultry from Smith's Falls, will arrive in the city by Tuesday's boat. Quality very fine. Can be seen at C. P. N. Wharf. For the trade only.

At the annual meeting of the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company the following officers were chosen: President, James Brethour; Vice-President, P. C. Dunlevy; Secretary, T. Rounding.

A social dance will be given in the Philharmonic Hall by the Philharmonic club this evening. The building has been thoroughly renovated and has now a comfortable hall and lounge room upstairs.

Rev. P. H. McEwen conducted the services at the funeral of the late Joseph Hillard, which took place from Hama's parlors, at 2:30 this afternoon.

A rather suspicious looking character, who began begging from people on the streets was taken to the police station this afternoon and charged with being a vagrant.

The Lieut-Governor has promised his patronage to the entertainment to be given in the drill hall on the 29th and 30th instants by the Fifth Regiment band, assisted by the Misses Webbing. The proceeds of the entertainment will go towards the new instrument fund.

In Philharmonic Hall this evening the Philharmonic Club will hold their first dance. The music will be furnished by Wolff's orchestra. The committee in charge are Mrs. Dudgeon, Mrs. Trice, Miss Sinclair, Miss Hill and Mrs. Lang.

It would be advisable for bicycle riders and all interested in wheels to call at Waitt & Co's and see the first 1897 model on the market. It is a Cleveland Swell Special and is a perfect beauty both in general lines and in the number of new and original improvements embodied in it.

There was a good attendance at the closing exercises of the Cedar Hill public school, which were held on Friday last. An interesting programme of songs and recitations was carried out by the pupils. Mr. R. M. Palmer, provincial fruit inspector, and Mr. Tracy briefly addressed the school. Mr. Palmer spoke of the importance of distinctness in reciting and gave the children a very interesting lesson on the art, requesting them to exercise their observation in this respect. The teacher also made a few remarks alluding to the good moral tone, kindly feeling and general diligence that he found ever manifest among his pupils.

Lee Yam Chuk was brought before Police Magistrate Macrae this morning on remand from yesterday charged with house-breaking. It seems that he entered a dwelling on Store street and in the absence of the man of the house threatened to kill a Chinese woman unless she paid him a sum of money. He was armed with a knife. The woman's husband suddenly returning, took at once the state of affairs and took a hand in the game. After giving Lee Yam Chuk a sound thrashing he sent for the police, by whom the accused was taken to the lock-up. Magistrate Macrae this morning bound him over in the sum of \$500 to keep the peace for a year.

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Result of the Examination Held Yesterday by Principal Paul.

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SEALERS' CLAIMS

Evidence Taken as to the Probable Catch of the Years 1889 and 1890.

The Cross-examination of Captain Hansen by the American Counsel.

When the commission resumed its sitting at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Alexander Keppar was recalled and gave evidence in reference to the claim of the Pathfinder. In 1890 he was mate of the Pathfinder. In March of that year an accident happened to the Pathfinder when to the southward of Cape Flattery, and they put into Neah Bay to repair the schooner. After the repairs were concluded they were preparing to leave when the United States cutter Corwin came into the bay, seized the schooner and towed them to Port Townsend. When seized they were on the sealing grounds, and intended to continue sealing had they not been seized.

Captain George Hackett, master of the Annie C. Moore on her sealing cruises of 1888 and 1889, gave evidence as to the catch made in that year.

Captain Victor Jacobson said he was in Behring sea sealing in 1888 on the Mountain Chief. On account of the difficulty in getting hunters he did not go into the sea until the beginning of August and stayed until the beginning of September. About 900 seals were taken while there.

R. J. Ker, of R. P. Ritter & Co., agents of the Maggie Mac in 1889 and 1890, gave evidence as to the catch of that schooner. In 1889 1200 seals were taken and in 1890 847 seals. The total catch for these years was, in 1889, 2067 seals and in 1890, 1954 seals.

An adjournment was then taken until 10:30 o'clock this morning.

At this morning's sitting the deferred cross-examination of Mr. Dickinson of Capt. Hansen in connection with the case of the Winnifred was proceeded with.

Capt. Hansen said that in March, 1892, he fitted out the Winnifred for a sealing cruise on the coast to last until September. He was warned that year not to enter Behring Sea, and had no intention of doing so when he started. In July he was sealing off Unimak pass when a south-easter sprang up and he was obliged to run through the pass into Behring Sea. While in the sea he became dead for two days, during which he lowered the boats and sealed. He was seized then by the United States cutter Rush and taken to Unimak. Witness said he was in jail from about August 20th to December 18th or 19th. He said he had on two separate occasions raided the Pribilof islands.

To Mr. Peters—He said he entered the harbor on Afognak island for water as he had run short. This harbor was much frequented for this purpose.

There were thirteen or fourteen schooners there when he was there. When he was seized he was about twenty miles from the nearest land.

Capt. R. McNeil, recalled, gave evidence as to the catch in 1889, when he was master of the Beatrice on her sealing cruise in Behring Sea. He entered the sea some time from the 4th to the 10th of July and stopped hunting on August 13th, as he lost some of his hunters in a fog. The total catch in the sea was about 630' skins. In 1890 he was master of the E. B. Marvin on her sealing cruise in Behring sea. That year 915 seals were taken in the sea.

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CHAPTER XVII.—CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE PALACE.

The possible glory of Mary's future career did not deter the Doctor from thinking of his troubles,—and especially that trouble with the Bishop which was at present heavy on his hand. He had determined not to go on with his action, and had so resolved because he had felt, in his more sober moments, that in bringing the Bishop to disgrace, he would be as a bird soiling its own nest. It was that conviction, and not any idea as to the sufficiency or insufficiency, as to the truth or falsehood, of the editor's apology, which had accutated him. As he had said to his lawyer, he did not in the least care for the newspaper people. He could not condescend to be angry with them. The abominable joke as to the two verbs was altogether in their line. As coming from them, they were no more to him than the ribald words of boys which he might hear in the street. The offence to him had come from the Bishop, and he resolved to spare the Bishop because of the Church. But yet something must be done. He could not leave the man to triumph over him. If nothing further were done in the matter, the Bishop would have triumphed over him. As he could not bring himself to expose the Bishop, he must see whether he could not reach the man by means of his own power of words;—so he wrote as follows:

"My dear Lord,—I have to own that this letter is written with feelings which have been very much increased by what your lordship has done. I must tell you, in the first place, that I have abandoned my intention of bringing an action against the proprietors of the scurrilous newspaper which your lordship sent me, because I am unwilling to bring to public notice the fact of a quarrel between a clergyman of the Church of England and his bishop. I think that, whatever may be the difficulty between us, it should be arranged without bringing down upon either of us adverse criticism from the public press. I trust your lordship will appreciate my feeling in this matter. Nothing less strong could have induced me to abandon what seemed to be the most certain means by which I could obtain redress."

"I had seen the paper which your lordship sent me before it came to me from the palace. The scurrilous, unseemly, and vulgar words which it contained did not move me much. I have lived long enough to know that, in a man's own judgment to be clean, they may be he cannot hope to walk through the world without rubbing against those who are dirty. It was only when those words came to me from your lordship,—when I found that the expressions which I had read in that paper were those to which your lordship had before alluded, as being criticisms on my conduct in the metropolitan press—criticisms so grave as to make your lordship think it necessary to admonish me respecting them,—it was only then I say, that I considered them to be worthy of my notice. When your lordship, in admonishing me, found it necessary to refer me to the metropolitan press, and to caution me to look to my conduct because the metropolitan press had expressed its dissatisfaction, it was, I submit to you, natural for me to ask you where I should find that criticism which had so strongly affected your lordship's judgment. There are perhaps half a score of newspapers in London whose animadversions I, as a clergyman, might have reason to respect—even if I did not fear them. Was I not justified in thinking that at least some two or three of these had dealt with my conduct, when your lordship held the metropolitan press in terror over my head? I applied to your lordship for the name of these newspapers, sent to me—that copy of 'Everybody's Business.'

"I ask your lordship to ask yourself whether, so far, I have overstated anything. Did not that paper come to me as the only sample you were able to send me of criticism made on my conduct in the metropolitan press? No doubt my conduct was handled there in very severe terms. No doubt the insinuations, if true—or if of such kind as to be worthy of credit with your lordship, whether true or false,—were very severe, plain-spoken and damning. The language was so abominable, so vulgar, so nauseous, that I will not repeat myself to repeat it. Your lordship, probably, when sending me one copy, kept another. Now, I must ask your lordship,—and I must beg of your lordship, for a reply,—whether the periodical itself has such a character as to justify your lordship in founding a complaint against a clergyman on its unproved statements; and also, whether the facts of the case, as they are

known to you, were not such as to make your lordship well aware that the insinuations were false. Before these ribald words were printed, your lordship had heard all the facts of the case from my own lips. Your lordship had known me and my character for, I think, a dozen years. You know the character that I bear among others as a clergyman, a schoolmaster, and a gentleman. You have been aware how great is the friendship I have felt for the unfortunate gentleman whose career is in question, and for the lady who bears his name. When you read those abominable words, did they induce your lordship to believe that I had been guilty of the inexplicable treachery of making love to the poor lady whose misfortunes I was endeavouring to relieve, and of doing so almost in my wife's presence?

"I say to you, to have believed them. Men are various, and their minds work in different ways,—but the same causes will produce the same effects. You have thought it possible that I should have done as I was accused. I should hold a man to be no less than mad who could have believed, knowing as much as your lordship knew. Then how am I to reconcile to my idea of your lordship's character the fact that you should have sent me that paper? What am I to think of the process going on in your lordship's mind when your lordship could have brought yourself to use a narrative which you have known to be false, made in a newspaper which you know to be scurrilous, as the ground for a solemn admonition to a clergyman of my age and standing? You write to me, as is evident from the tone and context of your lordship's letter, because you found that the metropolitan press had denounced my conduct. And this was the proof you sent to me that such had been the case!

"It occurred to me at once that, as the paper in question had viselystandered me, I could redress myself by an action of law, and that I could prove the magnitude of the evil done me by showing the grave importance which your lordship had attached to the words. In this way I could have forced an answer from your lordship to the questions which I now put to you. Your lordship would have been required to state on oath whether you believed those insinuations or not; and if so, why you believed them. On grounds which I have already explained, I have thought it improper to do so. Having abandoned that course, I am unable to force any answer from your lordship. But I appeal to your sense of honour and justice whether you should not answer my questions—I also ask from your lordship an ample apology, if, on consideration, you shall feel that you have done me an undeserved injury.—I have the honor to be, my lord, your lordship's most obedient, very humble servant,

"Jeffrey Worte."

He was rather proud of this letter as he read it to himself and yet a little afraid of it, feeling that he had addressed it to a Bishop in strong language. It might be that the Bishop should send him, in answer at all, or some curt note from his chaplain in which it would be explained that the tone of the letter precluded the Bishop from answering it. What should he do then? It was not he thought, improbable that the same note from the chaplain would be all that he might receive. He let the letter lie by him for four-and-twenty hours after he had composed it, and then determined that not to send it would be cowardly. He sent it, and then occupied himself for an hour or two in meditating the sort of letter he would write to the Bishop when that reply had come from the chaplain.

That further letter must be one which make all amicable intercourse between him and the Bishop impossible. And it must be so written as to be fit to meet the public eye if he should be ever driven by the Bishop's conduct to put it in print. A great wrong had been done him—a great wrong! The Bishop had been induced by the influences which should have had no power over him to use his episcopal rod and to smite him,—him, Dr. Worte! He would certainly show the Bishop that he should have considered beforehand whom he was about to smite. "Amo in the cool of the evening?" And that given as an expression of opinion from the metropolitan press in general! He had spared the Bishop as far as that action was concerned, but he would not spare him should he be driven to further measures by further injustice. In this way he lashed himself again into a rage. Whenever those odious words occurred to him, he was almost mad with anger against the Bishop.

Then his letter had been two days sent, so that he might have had a reply had a reply come to him by return of post, he put a copy of it into his pocket and rode off to call on Mr. Puddicombe. He had thought of showing it to Mr. Puddicombe before he sent it, but his mind had revolted from such submission to the judgement of another. Mr. Puddicombe would no doubt have advised him not to send it, and then he would have been almost compelled to submit to such advice. But the letter was gone now. The Bishop had read it, and doubtless re-read it two or three times. But he was anxious that some other clergyman should see it,—if some other clergyman should tell him that, even if inexpedient, it had still been justified. Mr. Puddicombe had been made acquainted with the former circumstances of the affair; and now, with his mind full of his own injuries, he went again to Mr. Puddicombe.

"It is just the sort of letter that you would write as a matter of course," said Mr. Puddicombe.

"Then I hope that you think it is a good letter?"

"Good as being expressive, and good also as being true, I do think it."

"But not good as being wise!"

"Had I not in your case I should have thought it unnecessary. But you are self-demonstrative, and cannot control your feelings."

"I do not quite understand you."

"What did it all matter? The Bishop did a foolish thing in taking

you to task, but it only meant to put you on your guard."

"I do not choose to be put on my guard in that way," said the Doctor.

"No; exactly. And he should have known you better than to suppose you would bear it. Then you pressed him, and he found himself compelled to send you that stupid newspaper. Of course he had made a mistake. But don't you think that the world goes easier when mistakes are forgiven?"

"I did forgive it, as far as foregoing the action."

"That, I think, was a matter of course. If you had succeeded in putting the Bishop into a dilemma, you would have had every sensible clergyman in England against you. You felt that yourself."

"Not quite that," said the Doctor.

"Something very near it; and therefore you withdrew. But you cannot get the sense of the injury out of your mind, and therefore you have persecuted the Bishop

with that letter."

"Persecuted?"

"He will think so. And so should I, had it been addressed to me. As I said before, all your arguments are true.—only I think you have made so much more of the matter than was necessary! He ought not to have sent you that newspaper, nor ought he to have talked about the metropolitan press. But he did you no harm; nor had he wished to do you harm;—and perhaps it might have been as well to have left it over."

"Could you have done so?"

"I cannot imagine myself in such a position. I could not, at any rate, have written such a letter as that, even if I would; and should have been afraid to write it if I could. I value peace and quiet too greatly to quarrel with my bishop, unless, indeed, he should attempt to impose upon my conscience. There was nothing of that kind here. I think I should have seen that he had made a mistake, and have passed it over."

The Doctor, as he rode home, was, on the whole, better pleased with his visit than he had expected to be. He had been told that his letter was argumentatively true, and that in itself had been incendiary.

At the end of the week he received a reply from the Bishop, and found that it was not, at any rate, written by the chaplain.

"My dear Dr. Worte," said the reply: "your letter has pained me exceedingly, because I find that I have caused you a degree of annoyance which I am certainly very sorry to have inflicted. When I wrote to you in my letter,—which I certainly did not intend as an admonition,—about the newspapers, I only meant to tell you, for your own information, that the newspapers were making reference to your affair with Mr. Peacocke. I doubt whether I know anything of the nature of 'Everybody's Business.' I am not sure even whether I had actually read the words to which you object so strongly. At any rate, they had no weight with me. If I had read them,—which I probably did very cursorily,—they did not rest on my mind at all when I wrote to you. My object was to caution you, not at all as to your own conduct, but as to others who were speaking evil of you."

"As to the action of which you spoke so strongly when I had the pleasure of seeing you here, I am very glad that you abandoned it, for your own sake and mine, and for the sake of all generally to whom the peace of the Church is dear."

"As to the nature of the language in which you have found yourself compelled to write to me, I must remind you that it is unusual as coming from a clergyman to a bishop. I am, however, ready to admit that the circumstances of the case were unusual, and I can understand that you should have felt the matter severely. Under these circumstances, I trust that the affair may now be allowed to rest without breach of those kind feelings which have hitherto existed between us."

"Yours very faithfully,

G. Broughton."

"It is a beastly letter," the Doctor said to himself, when he had read it,—"a beastly letter;" and then he put it away without saying any more about it to himself or to any one else. It had appeared to him to be a "beastly letter," because it had exactly the effect which the Bishop had intended. It did not give him the full satisfaction of a complete apology; and yet it left no room for a further rejoinder. It had declared that no censure had been intended, and expressed sorrow that annoyance had been caused. But yet to the Doctor's thinking it was an unmannerly letter. "Not intended as an admonition!" Then why had the Bishop written in that severely affectionate and episcopal style? He had intended it as an admonition, and the excuse was false. So thought the Doctor, and comprised all his criticism in the one epithet given above. After that he put the letter away, and determined to think no more about it.

"Will you come in and see Mrs. Peacocke after lunch?" the Doctor said to his wife the next morning. They paid their visit together; and after that, when the Doctor called on the lady, he was generally accompanied by Mrs. Worte. So much had been effected by 'Everybody's Business' and its abominations.

(To be continued.)

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British Columbia.

VANCOUVER.
George M. Black, the widely known Hastings pioneer, died Monday morning. He came to the province from California in 1850.

The Rev. Father Emmeline, of Vancouver, has received honors from Rome, his title now being Right Rev. Monsignor.

It is understood that the Golden Cache company are to part with one of their claims in Lillooet which has not yet been developed.

Rossland.

Rossland, Dec. 21.—There is no question as to the high grade ore in the Juniper carrying tellurides. A test made in Spokane has proven it.

The Montreal syndicate, represented by James E. Wardner, which recently acquired eight hundred lots in the townsite of Rossland, subsequently secured an option on the plant, franchises, etc., of the Rossland Water and Light Company, has made its first payment on the latter option.

The Sarah Lee, adjoining the Crown Point group, has been sold to a Toronto syndicate.

O. G. Labree and R. H. Pope, M.P., have bought the Midnight, the adjoining claim to the famous North Star, near Fort Steele.

REVELSTOKE.

Kootenay Mail.

The C. P. R. are making extensive improvements at Arrowhead, including a new double track, the bed built up with rock work and a portable wharf built on wheels.

Several deals on properties have been consummated in Trout Lake lately, and although no very big figures have been quoted, yet they are of sufficient size, considering the properties, to demonstrate that interest in the camp is active and will develop rapidly with the break-up of winter.

It has often been complained that the service supplied by the C. & K. S. N. Co. is insufficient when the competition which they have to meet from the south is considered. A case in point was reported last week where freight shipped from Revelstoke on November 11th had not reached Cody on December 9th.

Fort Steele.

Fort Steele Prospector.

Quite a number of men are engaged in taking out ore on the Dibble group for shipment as soon as navigation will permit.

The North Star mine has thirty men engaged in taking out carbonates, a large number of teams are engaged in hauling them to the company's landing on the river. It is reported that 6000 tons will be shipped during the coming year.

Assessment and development work has been done on numerous claims situated on Bull river, Sand creek and Elk river. It is the intention of the owners of several of these properties to have ore ready for shipment next season.

The Ram's Horn was located by Grundy Auchus last fall. A cut has been run in for some distance on the ledge showing carbonates and galena; the ledge is about twenty feet in width. The property has been bonded for \$30,000.

On the St. Eugene six hundred feet of tunnelling has been done, and they are now sinking a shaft through ore from the upper to the lower tunnel, a distance of 300 feet. At present there is about 4000 tons of ore on the dump, and fully 12,000 in sight which assays about 55 ounces in silver and 68 per cent lead.

On the Lake Shore a thirty-foot tunnel has been run, showing a large amount of galena in place; it is expected that the owners of this property will ship ore during the coming season.

UNDER THE IRISH SEA.

The Belfast News Letter publishes two articles on the advantage of a channel tunnel between Ireland and Scotland. The subject is not a new one, but the writer thinks the present seems, for a number of reasons, to be an appropriate time for attracting public attention to it. At a public meeting held in Belfast city some years ago a proposal was made for the construction of a tunnel between the Antrim coast and the Mull of Gellway, the intention being to connect the railway at Stranraer with lines which have their termini in Belfast. A committee was appointed but little progress has been made.

There is a feeling that it is the duty of the government to undertake a work of this kind, and the author of the article suggests that this would be one way in which Ireland could be repaid the amount, which according to the report of the majority of members of the Financial Relations Commission has been unfairly taken in over taxation.

The government has hitherto refused to allow a tunnel to be made between England and France—a project with which the name of Sir Edward Watkin is associated—but that is for political reasons. It is feared that it would weaken the power of Great Britain to resist an invasion from the continent.

Whatever force there is in this objection it does not apply to the scheme for establishing railway communication between Great Britain and Ireland. The more closely the two countries can be drawn together, the better it will be for both.

One of the most obvious advantages of the tunnel would be the great acceleration of the passenger and mail service which it would make possible.

At present the present thirteen hours and a half hours by the most rapid of the existing services to go from Belfast to London. According to the calculations made by the writer of the articles this time could be reduced to ten and a half hours. Glasgow could be reached from Belfast in four hours, Edinburgh in five, York in seven, and so with other cities and towns. All will admit the value of an acceleration of two or three hours. It would be of the greatest service to the commercial classes. Many persons would consider the abolition of the sea passage a boon.

Engineers of the highest eminence have declared that the scheme is practicable and able men of business are convinced that it would pay. It remains to keep

it before the government and public until it be undertaken and completed.

At first Dublin might be inclined to be jealous of supposed advantages for Belfast in the commercial race by such a tunnel, but if this route was opened it would not improbably be the pioneer of a connection between Dublin and Holyhead, which though much longer, might within the next half century be capable of accomplishment, for a sum of money not much larger than that now needed for the proposed tunnel, as the cost of such work is diminished by experience in a rapid ratio.

Mr. Robert Giffen, of the Board of Trade, who gave evidence before the Financial Relations Commission, said, "I think it (the tunnel from Ireland to Scotland) should be taken up by the state irrespective of any estimate of profit or loss on the undertaking."

Looking at the immense trade between the two countries, and the possibilities of developing the tourist traffic and extending the residence in Ireland of people now living in Great Britain, I think that the effect of making a tunnel would result in enormous commercial advantages, apart from the political advantages that might follow."

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RETURN TOURNAMENT.
The return whist tournament between teams of fourteen players from the J.B., A.A. and the Conservative Club, played last evening, resulted in a victory for the Conservatives with a score of 26 to 23 games.

GOLF.

The mixed foursome tournament, which was to have taken place at Oak Bay links on Saturday afternoon next, has been postponed, and instead the fourth medal competition, open to both ladies and gentlemen members, will be held.

THE RING.

There is sure to be a very large attendance at the Delaney benefit at the Victoria Athletic Club rooms, No. 9 Johnson street, to-morrow evening. An excellent programme has been arranged, no less than twenty people contributing their services. As an "extra" in the evening's entertainment there will be a four-round "go" between Young Hill and Joe Muller of Victoria. The wind-up will be a four-round bout between Tobin and Delaney. Admission 50 cents.

FOOTBALL

ASSOCIATION MEETING.
A special meeting of the British Columbia Intermediate Football Association will be held at 7.30 o'clock this evening in the Y.M.C.A. rooms, when the application of the Columbias of Victoria, for admission to the association, will be considered. The protest against their admission by the Northfield Violets has, it is understood, been dropped.

On Thursday afternoon a match will take place on the Canteen grounds between the Nondescript and Navy football teams. The game will commence sharp at 3 o'clock.

MANITOBA IS SATISFIED.

But the Bishops, so say Senator Landry, Will Cause Trouble.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Mr. Greenway in an interview last night said the recent settlement had given almost universal satisfaction to the people of his province.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the Cartier-Macdonald club in Quebec, Senator Landry announced that now that the bishops have returned from Rome they will shortly issue a joint mandatum calling on every Catholic to withdraw his confidence in Premier Laurier, because the latter did not re-establish separate schools. Senator Landry also declared that at the opening of the session of the federal parliament the French-Canadian members of this province would present a remedial bill endorsed by the whole Catholic episcopate of Canada and Catholic Liberal members, who, during the last campaign promised to act in conformity with the wishes of their bishops. They will have to leave the Premier or be considered traitors to their religion.

WORSE THAN WHISKEY.

A Number of Ohioans Poisoned by Drinking Essence of Cinnamon.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 22.—Additional details from Beavwood, the new oil field in Monroe county, Ohio, concerning the poisoning from drinking "essence of cinnamon," a substitute for whiskey, sold at a speak-easy, confirm the first reports. Three well known men are dead, several are seriously ill and three insane. It seems that one of the storekeepers at Benwood got hold of the fact that a Wheeling drug firm was putting up a preparation called "essence of cinnamon" which contained a large percentage of alcohol. The merchant had in a large supply of the stuff and informed the people about that he had a good thing.

It was received yesterday and he sold a great deal of it during the afternoon and evening. Several who partook of the "essence" became ill, and three of them, after terrible suffering, died. The symptoms were the same in all cases. The first man taken ill was W. H. Price, on whose farm the Fisher Oil Company drilled their first well. Before a physician could arrive he was dead. He died in awful agony. Mr. Price was one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens, his royalties on wells on his farm aggregating \$3,000 a month. He leaves a widow and one child.

Charles Herbert, a butcher of Sarge, was the next attacked, and he was quickly followed into eternity by Thomas Clegg, an oil driller. Others who were attacked by the same symptoms, but who are still alive, are Col. Clegg, Henry Roth and a cook in a boarding house. About fifteen persons are suffering from the effects of the poison. A number of physicians are on the ground and hope to succeed in saving their lives.

ANOTHER RAILWAY SCHEME.

Union of Branch Lines to Parallel the Central Pacific.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 22.—Wilhelm L. Bell, of Joseph, Sive & Co.; Henry Budgett of Hall, Garten & Co.; A. H. Joline of the Central Trust Company, and William Strauss, counsel for the organization committee, all of New York, will arrive here to-morrow to inspect the St. Joseph and Grand Island railway, and will be bidders at the sale of the road at Hastings, Dec. 23.

E. McNeal, president and general manager of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company, of Portland, Or., arrived to-day. It is not known just what interests he represents at the sale. The theory obtained here is that his purchase of the Grand Island would mean the early consummation of the cherished

scheme of paralleling the Union and Central Pacific by means of a union of branch lines, built by them in the height of their prosperity, and of merging interests with an eastern trunk line, the Baltimore & Ohio for instance, so as to complete an unbroken transcontinental line between the two oceans.

Confirmation of this theory is found in the present movement for a new short line between Denver and Salt Lake City, which would shorten the rail distance 200 miles, and in the fact that by the construction of 214 miles of track the Grand Island could be united with the Baltimore & Ohio at Beardstown, Ill., obtain a Kansas City and Omaha entrance, and reach Denver via Alma, Neb., Colby, Kan., and the Kansas division of the Union Pacific, which is not a government road. This, with the Denver and Salt Lake Short Line, would bring about a junction with the Utah Northern, the Oregon short line and the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company, and land the Baltimore & Ohio in Portland, Ore.

WRECK ON TEXAS PACIFIC.
Three Men Killed and Several Injured
—Crew Escape.
Dallas, Tex., Dec. 20.—A special to the News from Shreveport, La., says: About five o'clock this morning there was a bad wreck on the Texas & Pacific railroad near Sodus, La. Although no information is given by railroad officials, yet it is learned from private sources that three men were killed and seven injured.

It appears that as a west-bound freight was going up a steep grade a collision occurred at the foot of the grade, the crash splintering several cars. None of the trainmen were injured as they were back in the caboose. The conductor and crew rescued the injured, and they have arrived here, and were sent to the Charity hospital. Following are the wounded: C. L. Gates, St. Paul; Dave Miller, St. Louis; Frank Terry, Argentine, Col.; Charles Williams, Jerry Henderson, and George Brown, residences unknown. The names of the killed are not known.

WHOLE FAMILY BURNED.
Fire Resulted from the Explosion of a Piano Lamp in New York.

New York, Dec. 22.—The explosion of a piano lamp on the second floor of a four story residence at 514 East Fifty-eighth street resulted in the loss of five lives last night. The dead are:

Aaron Goldsmith, 45 years old.
Clothilde Goldsmith, his wife, 33 years old.
Bertha Goldsmith, 10 years old.
Harry Goldsmith, 8 years old.
Frank Goldsmith, 6 years old.

The only other person who was in the house at the time of the fire was Mary Ross, a domestic servant, who saved her life by jumping out of the window. The family was together during the evening. The only living member of the household, a Mr. Hirsch, a brother of Mrs. Goldsmith, had gone out shortly after the evening meal. According to the story of the servant, she was on the third floor of the building in the act of putting Harry and Frank, the two youngest boys, to bed, when she heard the cry of fire from the floor below with calls for her to come down.

She ran out of the bedroom and hurried down stairs, the little children following her. As soon as she looked into the front room on the second floor she saw the whole front end of the room ablaze. Then she became frightened and ran into a rear room and jumped from an open window to the ground. What more happened she does not know, but she says that the fire was caused by the upsetting of a large piano lamp.

HERMANN'S WILL.
The Magician Made Lots But Saved Very Little.

New York, Dec. 21.—Ever since the death of Prof. Hermann, the magician, there has been a great deal of speculation as to the amount of the fortune left to his widow. It is known that the receipts of his tours for several years have been enormous, reaching in some instances as high as \$80,000 in a single season. This led many to believe, despite his extravagant way of living, that he must have accumulated at least a quarter of a million dollars. Others, however, more intimate with his affairs, asserted that he saved very little. Mme. Hermann through her counsel, Mr. A. H. Hommel, appeared before Surrogate Weller yesterday and applied for letters of administration on her late husband's estate; she declared the property left by the magician not worth \$2000, in fact, his debts far exceed the amount of the assets of his estate.

"Prof. Hermann lived up to every penny he earned during his lifetime," said Mr. Hommel last night. He profited to the extent of \$60,000 or \$70,000 every season, but he was extravagant and saved nothing. The steam launch Fra Diavolo, with a competent engineer, firemen, sailing master, cook, etc., absorbed a small fortune. He had a raft of carriages, over a dozen horses, a town house and country house, though neither were full of servants. Mrs. Hermann is left practically nothing. His insurance was hypothecated for money advanced to Hermann. His

estate is to be settled by his nephew, who is on his way to America from Paris to take up Hermann's route. Hermann's greatest losses were his purchase of the Brooklyn theatre, his attempt at the management of the Broad street theatre, Philadelphia, which cost \$50,000; his venture at what is now the Savoy in this city, where he lost more than \$40,000.

New Goods just received and cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co., 59 Douglas street.

SENSATIONAL DEMURRER.

Attorney-General of California Attacks the Southern Pacific Charter.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Attorney-General Fitzgerald has filed a sensational demurral in the United States circuit court in the case of the Southern Pacific railroad company against the board of railroad commissioners of California. The document raises points of vital interest to the Southern Pacific company, as the attorney-general attacks the validity of the company's charter and denies its right to operate its branch roads in this state.

The original suit was brought to enjoin the railroad commission from enforcing its schedule of freights reducing grain rates 8 per cent. In the preliminary decision, rendered by Judge McKenna these grain rates were declared to be unreasonable, and the temporary injunction granted when the suit was instituted was ordered to continue until the case was tried on its merits. The demurral, in substance, denies that there is any question of equity to be decided, but claims that the matter should be litigated, only when an attempt is made to enforce the objectionable action of the commissioners.

It is claimed that the action of the commission is legislative and not subject to review by any court; that any violation of the fixed rates by the commission is a criminal matter and not subject to restraint by a court of equity. It is denied that the complainant is a railroad or that it is empowered to operate any of the railroads mentioned in this bill of complaint. It is further charged that all the leases made to the Southern Pacific company are invalid, and that therefore the complainant cannot legally concern itself with the question how any of the lesser roads would be affected by the commission's action. The complainant is charged with being an unlawful combination, created in violation of both state and federal constitutions.

AMERICAN DISPATCHES.

Brief Telegrams From Different Parts of the Union.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—William Hale Thompson, captain of the football team of the Chicago Athletic Club, has been sued for \$100,000 for breach of promise. The complainant is Jennie F. Hutchinson, of Peekskill, N.Y.

New York, Dec. 22.—The 276th anniversary of the landing of the pilgrim fathers at Plymouth Rock, was celebrated last night by the New England Society of Brooklyn, by the seventeenth annual dinner. General Stewart L. Woodford presided.

Toledo, O., Dec. 22.—The body of Jesse C. Gould, who disappeared on December 8th and of whom no trace could be discovered, has been found in some brush near the bank of the Maumee river with a bullet hole through the temple. It is supposed to be a case of suicide. Gould was vice-president and treasurer of the Leland Smith Company, wholesale tobacconists, which failed the day after his disappearance.

New York, Dec. 22.—The Lake Shore directors have declared the regular half yearly dividend of 3 per cent. payable on January 1st. The Michigan Central directors have declared the regular half yearly dividend of 2 per cent.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 22.—State Bank Examiner Kenyon took possession today of the Bank of Minnesota and as a result of the closing of this bank the Union Stock Yards Bank has closed. The Bank of Minnesota had a capital of \$2,900,000 and was considered one of the strongest banks in the west.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The ordinance providing for four cent car fares in this city, recently passed by the city council by a majority has been vetoed by Mayor Swift, and the council meeting last night sustained the veto by a vote of 20 to 47.

Northern Pacific Railway to Rossland.

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The annual Sunday school concert of the First Presbyterian church will be held on the 23rd inst.

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CONSIGNEES.

Per Str. Rosalie from the Sound—S. Leiser & Co., J. Hutchinson, T. Norris, Weller Bros., Fell & Co., D. H. Ross & Co.

DIED.

PEDEN—On the 20th inst., at 21 San Juan Avenue, Margaret Catherine Peden, aged 21 years, a native of Scotland, daughter of Alex.

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